

**WESTERN  
PENNSYLVANIA  
NUMISMATIC  
SOCIETY**

*Constitution*

*By-Laws*

*Roster of Members*

**Pittsburgh, PA.**

**1987**

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A.N.A.

Member No. 6

Life Club No. 39

Founded

June 14, 1878

Pittsburgh, PA

April 1987

## HISTORY

(Revised 1978 by William W. Woodside, Esq.)  
(Revised 1987 by Wayne K. Homren)

It is not an easy matter to prepare a brief summary of the life and activities of any organization after more than a century of existence, and especially so when its membership has been as diverse as ours. Our Society has had its share of scholars and dullards, of the learned and of the unlettered, of dedicated hobbyists and of hoarders and speculators. And, it must be confessed, there have occasionally been rascals among our number.

It says much for this Society's strength and quality that after more than a hundred years men still gather regularly to share a common diversionary interest, without regard to individual political, religious, or financial interest. We have shared a hobby, and we also have come to share a tradition. Thus one can scarcely begin this summary better than by using the initial paragraphs written by the late Sidney K. Eastwood some 50 years ago, and allowed to stand by Raymond A. Byrne in his later revision.

On June 14, 1878, eight men met formally in Pittsburgh to organize a society for the study of numismatic science and to exchange ideas and information. On that date the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society came into being. The founders were:

George H. Clapp  
Frank J. Kirk  
E. F. Maynard  
Henry McKnight

S. H. Morgan  
John Rivett  
George W. Rode  
R. W. Shipman

This group continued informal meetings during the first year, and on June 20, 1879, when the membership roll included seventeen names, the first officers were elected. These officers were:

S. H. Morgan, *President*  
Frank J. Kirk, *Vice-President*  
George W. Rode, *Secretary*  
E. F. Maynard, *Treasurer*  
J. E. H. Kelley, *Curator*

The present constitution and a set of by-laws were adopted on November 21, 1879, and these original documents, subscribed to with the signatures of the early members, remained in the Society's possession. Much of the credit for the continued and healthy growth of the Society belongs to the late George F. Marlier, who served as its president through many of its more difficult years. And, decade after decade, its monthly meetings have continued to be a useful source of information and mutual help to our membership.

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Society was celebrated by a dinner at the Rittenhouse Hotel in East Liberty, Pittsburgh, on June 14, 1928. The Sixtieth Anniversary also was marked by a dinner in the Harvard-Yale-Princeton Club of Pittsburgh on December 13, 1938. The latter event led to a series of annual dinners which have become a feature of our programs.

The Society issued medals in 1878 and 1879 as official souvenirs of the Pittsburgh Exposition in those years. Each was struck in white metal, bronze, brass, and silver. Although no record of the numbers struck has survived, complete sets are difficult to obtain. The following mintage estimates were provided by Lawrence C. Dziubek: 1878: 25 bronze, 15 brass, 7 silver; 1879: 25 bronze, 25 brass, 17 silver.

Another medal, designed for our Fiftieth Anniversary by Andrey Avinoff, was struck by the Medallic Art Company of New York in 1928, 400 examples in bronze and ten in silver. All of these medals are illustrated in the present publication. The 1928 medal was restruck by the Medallic Art Company in 1963, and this date is incused on the edge of the restrikes. The issue consisted of 20 specimens each in copper and bronze, 15 in silver and five in 14 karat gold.



In honor of the 1978 Centennial, a committee was established to design and have a medal struck. Such a medal was executed incorporating the designs of the Society's prior medals, in reduced form, on the obverse. 500 two-inch bronze medals were struck by the Green Duck Corp., and 180 of this number were given an antique finish. There were also 27 medals struck in .999 pure silver, and 9 medals struck in 18 karat gold (thin planchet), by advance ordering of the members.

The Society has maintained close ties with the American Numismatic Association, and was host to the annual convention of the Association in 1935. This was the second visit to Pittsburgh by the A.N.A., which was organized in Chicago in 1891. It held its first convention at Niagra Falls in the Spring of 1892, but adjourned to complete its business later the same year in Pittsburgh. At least two of our members, Henry Hunt and Raymond A. Byrne, have served on the Association's Board of Governors.

Relations with Carnegie Museum of Natural History, where the Society's meetings were held for many years, were cordial. Andrey Avinoff, Director of the Museum from 1926 to 1945, was an honorary member, as was George H. Clapp, our last surviving charter member and a longtime Trustee of the Museum. Moreover, eleven of our members have served as unpaid curators or research associates in the Museum's Section of Coins and Medals.

On June 6, 1978 the Society celebrated its 100th year with a dinner at the Top of the Triangle Restaurant. Members and guests heard talks from the two living honorary members, Raymond A. Byrne and William W. Woodside. Mr. Woodside took this occasion to announce that the Carnegie Museum had decided to dispose of the coin and stamp collections that had been accumulated in the Institution during the past 30 years. W.P.N.S, together with the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania, formed a vanguard to prevent the sale.

Messrs. Glenn Mooney, J. Paul Scheetz, and William Hunter led the way in the legal battle. After two court hearings, a public petition with hundreds of signatures, and

much local and national media attention, an out-of-court settlement was reached. Carnegie Institute agreed to retain certain portions of the collections, while selling many others at auctions in London and Zurich.

Relations with Carnegie Institute have improved somewhat in recent years, beginning with the 1985 Social Meeting where the invited speaker was Dr. James B. Richardson III, an anthropologist with the Museum of Natural History. That year also brought an announcement from the A.N.A. that their Annual Convention would return to Pittsburgh in 1989. The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society is currently looking forward to co-sponsoring the convention with other local clubs. Plans are being made to exhibit some of the 11,000 coins and medals that remain at the Museum, including George H. Clapp's famous collection of Large Cents.

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The present issue of the Constitution and By-Laws states these documents as most recently amended. The Membership Roster which is appended attempts to list all members with the years of their election to membership. This is based upon earlier compilations and upon data contained in minutes and other records. It is possible that there are omissions, and it is hoped that any of these will be brought to the attention of the Secretary.

## PAST PRESIDENTS

S. H. Morgan	1879-1882
Thomas Ramsden	1882-1889
Charles H. Shinkle	1912-1918
Dr. F.F.E. Wilharm	1918-1920
F. N. Boyle	1920-1923
Perley W. Locker	1923-1924
George F. Marlier	1924-1932
Lou F. Marks	1932-1933
George F. Marlier	1933-1938
Charles S. Hall	1938-1940
William W. Woodside, Esq.	1940-1942
A. Earl Coatsworth	1942-1946
Sidney K. Eastwood	1946-1948
Robert S. Porter, Jr.	1948-1950
J. Verner Scaife, Jr.	1950-1952
George C. Kiefer	1952-1954
Robert C. Dixon	1954-1955
Prosper E. DeVos	1955-1957
Dr. Paul McBride Gillis	1957-1959
John M. Kennedy	1959-1961
Richard T. Foley	1961-1963
Raymond A. Byrne	1963-1965
Dr. James O. Sloss	1965-1967
Glenn A. Mooney	1967-1969
John L. Knabenschuh	1969-1971
Dr. Robert J. Hudson	1971-1973
Edmund J. Schenck, Jr.	1973-1975
Lawrence C. Dziubek	1975-1977
Armor M. Murdoch, Esq.	1977-1979
Bruce R. McAvoy	1979-1980
Clifford H. Sutton	1980-1982
Charles N. Erb	1982-1984
Lawrence C. Korchnak	1984-1986
Richard J. Crosby	1986-198_

## HONORARY MEMBERS

Charles E. McGirk	February 3, 1914
Charles Molnar	April 2, 1928
Andrey Avinoff	January 8, 1935
Harley L. Freeman	March 5, 1935
George H. Clapp	June 7, 1938
A. Charles Gies	June 7, 1938
George F. Marlier	June 7, 1938
Henry Hunt	July 3, 1946
Sidney K. Eastwood	February 7, 1956
William W. Woodside, Esq.	November 17, 1960
Raymond A. Byrne	June 4, 1974
Robert S. Porter Jr.	August 6, 1985

## OFFICERS 1986 - 1987

Richard J. Crosby	<i>President</i>
William Hunter	<i>Vice-President</i>
Wayne K. Homren	<i>Secretary</i>
John H. Burns	<i>Treasurer</i>
Richard Gaetano	<i>Curator</i>



# CONSTITUTION

Adopted November 21, 1879

## Article I

This Society shall be called "The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society." It is, and is intended to continue to be, an unincorporated, non-profit association of its members, none of whom may benefit financially, directly or indirectly, from office-holding or membership herein. Its objects shall be promotion of Numismatic Science and the formation of a Cabinet and Library for the use of its members, as well as social gatherings of its members.

## Article II

The Society shall consist of Resident, Corresponding, and Honorary Members.

## Article III

The officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer, and Curator, all of whom shall be elected annually at the regular meeting in June.

They shall hold office for one year, beginning with the regular meeting in July.

## Article IV

The right of voting, of holding office and of transacting business shall be confined to Resident Members and to Honorary Members who have previously held Resident Membership.

## Article V

The Society shall possess a Certificate of Membership.

## Article VI

The name of a candidate for membership of any class must be proposed in writing, by a resident member, in good standing, and the nomination shall lay over until the next regular meeting of the Society, when the election may be held, by ballot. Two thirds (2/3) of the members present may suspend the rules and action on the application can be taken at once.

Three (3) black balls shall exclude from election.

## Article VII

The Society shall not be dissolved as long as seven (7) members remain, except with the consent of all the members.

## Article VIII

The Society shall establish such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary for its government and regulation.

## Article IX

No change shall be made in this Constitution unless by vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members present at a stated meeting and unless notice of the proposed change shall be given in writing, signed by three (3) members, at a previous meeting.

## BY-LAWS

Adopted October 4, 1938  
Amended December 7, 1965  
and January 3, 1967

### Article I, Meetings

1. The regular meeting shall be held the first Tuesday of each month at 8:00 P.M.
2. Five (5) Resident Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
3. The order of business shall be as follows, viz:-
  - a. Minutes of the previous meeting.
  - b. Treasurer's report.
  - c. Reports of Committees.
  - d. Correspondence
  - e. Deferred business
  - f. New Business
  - g. Program
  - h. Adjournment

### Article II, Officers

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, shall approve in writing, by countersigning checks or bills, all expenditures ordered by the Society, and shall direct the activities of the Society.
2. The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President; and in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, that office and title shall be assumed by the Vice-President until the next annual election.
3. The Secretary shall keep correct minutes of all meetings of the Society, including those of the executive committee but excluding all other Committee meetings unless specifically directed by the Society or the President to do so, he shall keep the accounts between the Society and its members; he shall receive all

money due the Society, and shall pay it over to the Treasurer; shall notify all members of the time and place of meetings; and handle all routine correspondence of the Society and such special correspondence as directed by the Society or the President.

4. The Treasurer shall receive all money which may be paid to the Society, and shall give his receipt for the same when requested. He shall have custody of all funds of the Society upon countersignature of the President. The Treasurer shall keep a current account of all money received and paid out, which accounts shall be open to inspection by any member.
5. The Curator shall have charge of all coins, books, etc., belonging to the Society, and shall keep a correct catalogue of the same. He shall permit access thereto by the members, under such rules as the Society may adopt.
6. The President shall present a written report, at the Annual Meeting of the activities of the Society during the preceding year. The Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Curator shall each present a written report, at the Annual Meeting, of the work of their respective offices during the preceding year.

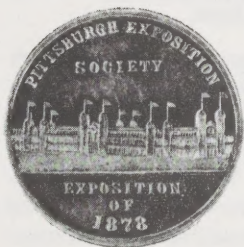
### Article III, Committees

1. The standing committees of the Society shall be the Executive Committee, the Program Committee, the Publications Committee, the Publicity Committee, the Membership Committee, the Auditing Committee, and the Nominating Committee.

2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Society and the Chairmen of the Membership, Program, Publications, and Publicity Committees, and shall meet from time to time as it deems necessary or on call by the President. It shall have power to conduct routine business subject to the approval of the Society at its next regular meeting. It shall also have power, subject to the



## W. P. N. S. MEDALS



1878

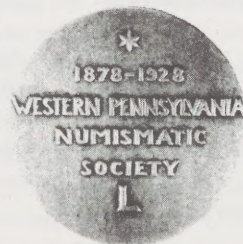
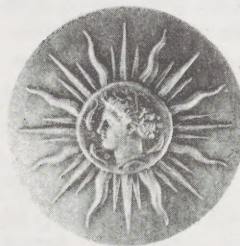
Silver, White Metal, Bronze, Brass



1879

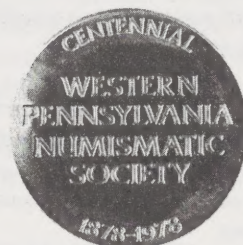
Silver, White Metal, Bronze, Brass  
(Obverse like 1878)

## W. P. N. S. MEDALS



1928: 10 Silver, 400 Bronze

1963: (Lonedge) 20 Copper, 20 Bronze,  
15 Silver, 5 Gold (presentation pieces)



1978: 320 Bronze, 180 Antique Finish Bronze  
27 Silver, 9 Gold (18 karat)



Constitution and By-Laws, to act for the Society in matters of emergency, where time will not permit calling a special meeting of the Society. At least three (3) members are required for a quorum. A simple majority of those present is required for passage.

3. The Membership Committee shall receive all applications and recommendations for membership; shall investigate all applicants; and, after meeting to consider applicant, shall submit a written report of its investigations. The duties of the Committee shall not extend to cases of Honorary Membership.

4. The Program Committee shall have charge of programs, special events, etc., shall arrange places for meetings of the Society and shall publish the Annual Program.

5. The Publicity Committee shall whenever possible, bring to public attention the activities of the Society which are of general news value; shall when possible publicize the science of numismatics; shall inform the membership of numismatic meetings, conventions, etc., shall prepare the Society's membership roster, etc, when that is ordered to be printed; and shall when possible arrange for public exhibition of numismatic material.

6. The Publications Committee, of which the Curator shall be an ex-officio, shall act in an advisory capacity to the Curator, and shall review new issues of numismatic books and other publications, reporting such new issues of the Society.

7. The Auditing Committee shall be appointed at the Annual Meeting, and shall consist of two members, neither of whom shall be the Treasurer, Secretary, or Curator, and shall present a written report of such audit at the next regular meeting.

8. A Nominating Committee of three members shall be appointed at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting and shall report at the Annual Meeting.

#### Article IV, Dues, etc.

1. The Initiation Fee shall be two (\$2.00) dollars payable with application for membership, and the dues shall be one (\$1.00) dollar per annum payable in advance. The dues year will run from July 1 to June 30. Any member who neglects to pay his dues for three years shall be suspended after action has been taken by the Society, at any stated meeting, until all his dues have been paid.

2. The Society may expel a member upon receipt of a resolution, presented in writing and signed by three (3) Resident Members in good standing. Such resolution shall be laid over until a subsequent meeting of the Society when it shall be presented for action, provided that written notice of the time, and the purpose of such meeting has been given to the offending member. Upon passage of such a resolution by a majority of the Resident Members present, the President shall declare the offending member expelled from the Society.

3. Any member may withdraw from the Society by paying in full all indebtedness to the Society, and by signifying his desire in writing. Any member who has withdrawn from the Society may rejoin within one year thereafter by signifying his intention in writing, and without payment of initiation fees; such application for readmission to be presented to the Society for action as a new application.

4. No member shall without the consent of the Society, lend papers, books, medals, etc., belonging to the Society to any person, not a member.

#### Article V, Application for Membership

The following procedure shall be followed for all applications for membership in the Society:

1. Upon receipt of an application for membership, the Membership Committee will advise the membership of the Society that such application has been received.

2. Any member having comments to offer concerning the

applicant shall communicate these comments with the Membership Committee only, without delay.

3. The Membership Committee will then investigate the applicant and when the Committee is satisfied that such applicant should be voted upon, will advise the Secretary at least 10 days prior to the regular meeting at which the vote is to be held.

4. The Secretary will then advise the membership that such applicant shall be voted on at the next regular meeting. Such notification will be via the monthly meeting notice.

5. The applicant shall not be present at the meeting at which his application is voted on. The Secretary will advise the applicant of the Society's action on his application after it has been voted on.

#### Article VI, Members

1. Honorary members who have been elected from the roster of Resident Members shall continue to have the same rights and privileges as prior to election to Honorary Membership. All Honorary Members shall be exempt from payment of dues.

2. Corresponding Members shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. They will be expected to correspond with the Society at least once every six months on topics relating to objects for which this Society is established. All Corresponding Members shall be exempt from payment of dues. In addition to those persons elected to Corresponding Membership, former Resident Members who have been in good standing for at least one (1) year and now reside more than fifty (50) miles from Pittsburgh may be Transferred to Corresponding membership by action of the Executive Committee.

3. The names of the eight (8) founders of this Society and of all Past Presidents and of the Honorary Members, whether living or dead, shall be published in every printed list of members of the Society.

#### Article VII, Amendment

1. Changes in or additions to these By-Laws shall be made only as follows: (a) Notice of a proposal to amend shall be given at a regular meeting of the Society, and the proposal shall then be laid over until the next subsequent regular meeting; (b) In notices to members, the Secretary shall state that amendments have been proposed for action at the next regular meeting; (c) At the next regular meeting following the proposal to amend, the proposal shall be read and submitted to a vote, and upon approval thereof by a vote of two-thirds of the members present the amendment shall have the full effect as part of these By-Laws.

W. W. Woodside, Esq., Chairman

By-Laws Committee

Approved by unanimous vote at the December 7, 1965 regular meeting.

The addition of the last two sentences to Article VI.2 was approved by unanimous vote at the January 3, 1967 regular meeting.

John L. Knabenshuh, Secretary

Revised and adopted November 21, 1978.

Charles N. Erb, Secretary



## MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

A complete listing of both past and active members, with the year of their joining WPNS shown. Date prefixes signify the following, as covered in Article VI of the By-Laws:

C-Corresponding member (elected in year indicated)

F-Founding Member of WPNS (1878)

H-Honorary Member (elected in year indicated)

P-Past President (office years in separate listing)

Abczynski, H	1923
Abczynski, R. S.	1921
Adams, Duane	1962
Aitchison, E. P.	1962
Alexander, William L.	1954
Avinoff, Andrey	H1935

Bailey, William L.	1934
Barker, Adam M.	1933
Barrett, John S.	1932
Bartley, Harry C.	1956
Beam, Frank M.	1963
Beck, John A.	
Behrenberg, William	1922
Bierly, Otho J.	
Bixler, W. E.	1926
Boerio, Richard	1980
Book, Charles H.	1912
Book, Robert D.	1879
Boyle, F. N.	P1916
Breed, Henry A.	1879
Brown, Thomas K.	1924
Buckley, Richard F.	1980
Buettler, W. L.	1879
Buillions, Oscar W.	1931
Buillions, Samuel G.	1940
Burns, Jack F.	1956
Burns, John H.	1985
Bush, Joseph E.	1969
Buterbaugh, Ralph J.	1940
Byrne, Raymond A.	P1954
	H1974

Calderhead, J. A.	1911
Carothers, Edward E.	1919
Carlucci, Donald D.	1980
Cingota, John	1939
Clapp, George H.	F1878

Coatsworth, A. Earl	H1938
Coleman, R. A.	P1934
Coltman, J. Wesley	1954
Comingo, E. G.	1975
Compton, Earl H.	1878
Cooper, Ross A.	1954
Cotton, J. C.	1950
Coursin, B. B.	1879
Courtney, William E.	1879
Cramer, William H.	1963
Crosby, Richard J.	P1968
Cunningham, Thomas	C1880

Darlington, William G.	1927
Davidge, George B.	1942
Davis, David L.	1954
Davis, Mark F.	1963
DeVos, Prosper E.	P1938
Dixon, Robert C.	P1948
Doddrill, Gordon	1961
Drake, Joseph B.	1923
Dziubek, Lawrence C.	P1968

Early, Joseph	1929
Eastwood, Sidney K.	P1932
	H1956
Erb, Charles N.	P1972
Ewing, Charles M.	1975

Feisel, Duane L.	1956
Flarity, Martin J.	1920
Foley, Richard T.	1953
Friesell, Charles E.	1932
Freeman, Harley L.	H1935
Froelich, Albert	1920
Froelich, David	1920

Geade, William A.	1919
Gaetano, Richard, Sr.	1978
Gardner, R. M.	1948
Gerhardt, Samuel	1912
Gibbs, Howard D.	1911
Gies, Charles A.	1879
	H1938
	P1938

Gillis, Rev. P. M., PhD	1879
Glockner, A., Jr.	1961
Glose, Robert L.	1946
Goddy, Meyer	1927
Goodrich, Harry	1956
Gratz, Charles F., D.P.M.	

Greig, R. M.	C1960
Grose, William E.	1953
Hags, J. Walter	1936
Hall, Charles S.	P1933
Haslett, W. R.	1879
Hendel, James	1949
Hepting, J. F., D.O.	1938
Hershey, Rodger	1981
Hildebrand, Jesse	1879
Hoffman, Fred	1929
Hollander, W. F., D.D.S.	1964
Homren, Wayne K.,	1979
Hudson, Robert J., M.D.	1959
Hunt, Henry	1932
	H1946
Hunter, G. M.	
Hunter, William	1964
Ilson, Aaron B.	1970
Kachmar, John S.	1944
Kastlin, George J., M.D.	1938
Kelley, J. E. H.	1879
Kelly, Gifford F.,	1987
Kennedy, John M.	P1947
Kiefer, George C.	P1940
Kirk, C. W.	1879
Kirk, Frank, J.	F1878
Knabenschuh, John L.	P1963
Kolman, Michael, Jr.	1967
Korchnak, Lawrence C.	P1979
Kraft, Gottlieb	1912
Krchnak, William D.	1959
Kretschmar, Fred L.	1974
Krivoniak, Edward	1975
Kules, George	1978
Lando, Ithamar B.	1956
Larkins, Charles T.	1919
Laughlin, Samuel F.	1929
Lencofsky, J. P.	1946
Leonard, M. H.	1946
Lloyd, Robert A.	1953
Locker, Perley W.	P1919
Long, C. Hays, Jr.	1937
Loomis, Chauncey A.	1948
Low, Lyman H.	C1885
MacKewiz, Clyde F.	1953
Mallek, A. S.	1921

Manning, Charles S.	1921
Marlier, George F.	P1911
	H1938
Marks, Lou F.	P1930
Mason, Lee F.	1959
Mayer, Edgar B.	1952
Maynard, E. F.	F1878
McAvoy, Bruce R.	P1972
McBride, Patrick,	1986
McCune, James, Jr.	1931
McGirk, Charles E.	H1914
McIntosh, Kenneth L.	1941
McKnight, Henry	P,F1878
Miller, W. McCook, Esq.	1979
Mockett, Horace G.	1936
Mockett, Horace G., Jr.	1937
Molnar, Charles	H1928
Mooney, Glenn A.	P1961
Morgan, S. H.	P,F1878
Moudy, Evrin C.	1934
Murdoch, Armor M., Esq.	P1950
Murray, J. S.	1879
Murphy, John A.	1973
Murphy, Sidney F.	1879
Nelson, David H.	1959
Nelson, John A.	1964
Nichols, G. P.	C1881
Oschman, Edward L.	1963
Otterman, Glenn E., Sr.	1964
Paguaia, Samson	1979
Parker, Fred C.	1924
Paul, David	1959
Pesant, Roberto	1961
Peters, T. W.	1942
Piper, William C.	1919
Poillon, William	C1912
Porter, Gerald S.,	1987
Porter, Robert S., Jr.	P1939
	H1985
Ramsden, Thomas	P1879
Regensberger, George J.	1930
Reinhart, W. H.	1932
Rennick, Raymond C.	1979
Reynolds, W. W.	1936
Riggs, Lu	1944
Rivett, John	F1878
Riviere, Burt H.	1951



Roberts, Chalmers M.	1926
Rode, George W.	F1878
Rogers, A. J.	1879
Romah, George N.	1952
Ross, J. William	1966
Roth, David J.	1968
Rudert, Stanley F.	1939
Scaife, J. Verner, Jr.	P1935
Schallcross, William G.	1924
Scheetz, J. Paul	1958
Schenck, Edmund J., Jr.	P1965
Schmauk, Benjamin T.	1880
Schnurmann, Paul, PhD.	1929
Sermin, Ferdinand	1879
Shaffer, R. L.	1940
Shinkle, Charles H.	P1885
Shipman, R. W.	F1878
Sloan, Joseph A.	1924
Sloss, James O., M.D.	P1941
Smith, Addison	1927
Smith, Emerson S.	1958
Sommers, Robert G.	1956
Starrett, Warren L.	1929
Steinmark, Arthur N.	1922
Stockdale, Clark O.	1954
Stoneking, B. G.	1943
Stranz, W	1935
Stricker, Alan E.,	1987
Sutton, Clifford H.	P1971
Sweeney, Edmund A.	1955
Tharp, C. E.	1929
Thorne, Rob Roy M.	1937
Tosh, Joseph N.	1963
Trautman, Henry A.	1925
Tucker, Eldridge	1926
Turner, Clarence W.	1967
Tutelo, Nick	1970
Van Ormer, Roy H.	1980
Vogeley, George P.	1959
Walleck, A. L., M.D.	1927
Warren, Chester F.	1937
Welsh, G. G.	1946
Whan, Dr. Robert	1960
White, David J.	1879
Wilharm, G. F. E., M.D.	P
Williams, Philip A.	1958
Wilson, H. E.	1885

Wise, Ferdinand R.	1967
Woodside, William W., Esq.	P1920
	H1960
Woodward, H. E.	C1880
Yantschik, Victor	1929
Yeager, Richard E.	1959
Young, Thomas G.	1948
Zimmerman, George	1920
Zoler, Joseph, Jr.	1932







W. P. N. S.

The regular monthly meeting of  
the Society will be held on  
Tuesday evening

Our program will be

If possible, bring exhibits on  
the speaker's topic or on

Secretary



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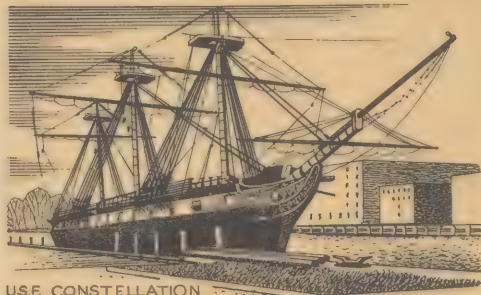


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# TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



GLOUCESTER



U.S. CONSTELLATION

W. P. N. S.



The regular monthly meeting of

the Society will be held on

Tuesday evening **MARCH 6**.

Our program will be **LEATHER**

**MONEY**

Bring Exhibits!

Entrance to the meeting room can

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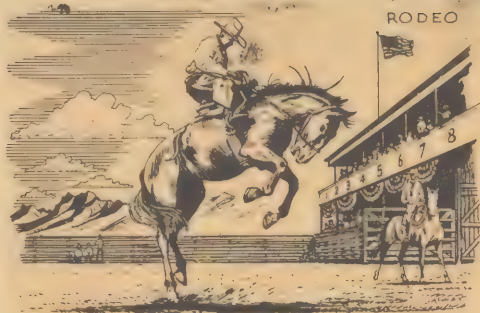
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MISSISSIPPI RIVERBOAT



# TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72





W. P. N. S.

The regular monthly meeting of  
the Society will be held on

Tuesday evening *Oct. 2, 1973.*

Our program will be *"History  
of the Pillar Dollar"*

*by Joseph Frantz*

If possible, bring exhibits on

the speaker's topic or on

*World Crowns*

Secretary

*Ollie Burg*



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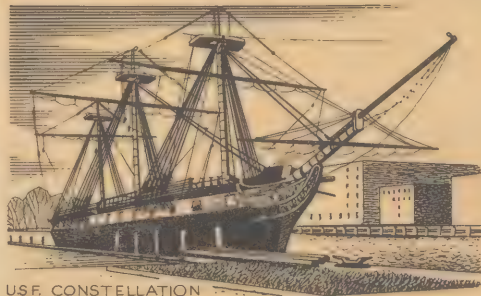


REDWOODS

# TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



GLOUCESTER



USF. CONSTELLATION

W. P. N. S.

The regular monthly meeting of  
the Society will be held on

Tuesday evening **JUNE 5**.

Our program will be **BUSINESS**

**MEETING** Bring Exhibits!

Entrance to the meeting room can  
be gained by coming in the door  
of the museum opposite Dithridge  
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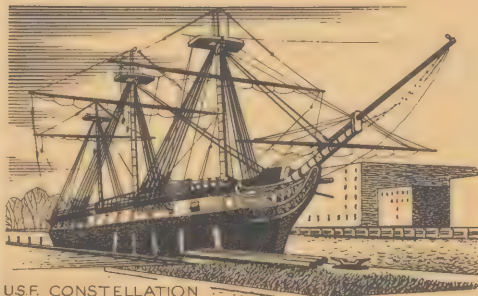


REDWOODS

# TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



GLOUCESTER



U.S. CONSTELLATION

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society began on June 14, 1878 when eight men met formally in Pittsburgh to organize for the study of numismatic science, and to exchange ideas and information. It says much for this Society's strength and quality that after 100 years men still gather regularly each month to share a common diversionary interest, without regard to individual political, religious or financial interest. They have shared a hobby and, they have come to share a tradition. Although concentrated in Western Pennsylvania, members from as far away as California and Florida contribute to the on-going effectiveness of the group.

Pittsburgh Exposition Society conducted a fair in 1878 and 1879. W.P.N.S. issued medals in conjunction with this event in brass, bronze, silver, and white metal. A different view of the exposition building was used for the second year's issue. In 1928, for the 50th anniversary, a new medal was designed by Audrey Avinoff. It was designed to symbolize the high standard of the art and science of numismatics, and capture the culture, beauty and dignity of classic Greece. The decadram of Syracuse from 400 B.C. was the central theme. Eminating from the coin in all directions are cresses-shaped radiations symbolizing the diffusion of knowledge, inspiration and culture which numismatics has contributed to civilization. The Avinoff medal was restruck by Madallic Art Co. in 1963 with a total issue of 60 pieces in 4 metals.

Noteworthy was the Society's sponsorship of the A.N.A. 1935 convention held in Pittsburgh. A keystone shaped badge was issued with the Society's name on the reverse. This group boasts such notable collectors and authors as: John A. Beck, Ray A. Byrne, George H. Clapp, Gordon Dodrill, Duane L. Feisel, Howard D. Gibbs, Michael Kolman, Jr., Lyman H. Low, James O. Sloss, and William W. Woodside.

Society Centennial plans include the striking of 500 golden bronze medals of a two inch diameter. A limited number were issued to members in silver and gold by advance subscription. Contained in an outline of Western Pennsylvania are replicas of the 1878 and 1928 W.P.N.S. medals. This design was created by a club committee and manufactured by Greenduck. On June 6, 1978 the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society celebrated its 100th year with a dinner at a restaurant overlooking the Golden Triangle. Members and guests heard from the Society's two living honorary members, Ray A. Byrne and William W. Woodside. Our Society has had its share of scholars and dullards, of the learned and the unlettered, of dedicated hobbyists and of hoarders and speculators; but in all it has contributed richly to the science and enjoyment of numismatics for a century.

## OFFICERS

President.....Dick Gaetano  
Vice President.....Paul Schultz  
Secretary.....Corleen Chesonis  
Treasurer.....Wayne Homren  
Curator.....Wayne Homren

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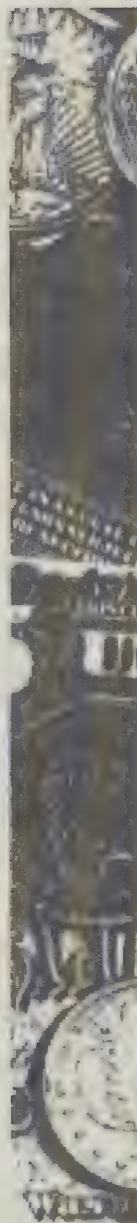
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# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

Founded  
June 14, 1878

Pittsburgh, PA

126<sup>th</sup> Year  
2004-2005





Unless otherwise noted, meetings will be held the first Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 7:00 p.m., meetings begin at 8:00 p.m.

September 7, 2004

"Coins of the Bible"

.....Paul Schultz

October 5, 2004

"Circle of Friends of the Medallion"

.....Rich Crosby

November 2, 2004

Banquet – Tambellini's Restaurant

"George Westinghouse" by Ed Reis, Impersonator

December 7, 2004

"Numismatic Metallurgy"

.....Corleen Chesonis

January 4, 2005

"Medal Collecting"

.....Edward Krivoniak

February 1, 2005

"Gasparro Galvanto's"

.....Don Carlucci

March 1, 2005

"Obsolete Paper Money of Pittsburgh"

.....Wayne Homren

April 5, 2005

Carnegie Museum Annex Meeting

"Local Medals, Tokens, Memorabilia"

.....Rich Crosby

May 3, 2005

"United States 20 Cent Pieces"

.....Dick Gaetano

June 7, 2005

Annual Business Meeting

July 5, 2005

"Favorite Coins"

.....Larry Korchnak

August 2, 2005

"Coins of the Ptolemies"

.....Charles Culleton

The Program Committee urges you to bring recent acquisitions or any other articles of numismatic interest for display at the meetings. Particularly welcomed are exhibits related to the current program topic.

**Please feel free to bring a quest!**

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**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**

**PROGRAM**

**WESTINGHOUSE CASTLE**

**WILMERDING, PA**

**NOVEMBER 2, 1993**

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6:00 PM                      COCKTAIL HOUR

7:00 PM                      DINNER

                 Cauliflower Cheese Soup  
                 Tossed Salad, House Dressing  
                 Entree: Filet Mignon  
                                 Broiled Pacific Salmon  
                 Banana Split Cake

7:45 PM                      GUEST SPEAKER

                                 CHARLES RUCH,  
                                 WESTINGHOUSE HISTORIAN

8:30 PM TOUR OF WESTINGHOUSE MUSEUM

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***COIN LOVERS --  
BRING YOUR OLD OR INTERESTING  
COINS TO THE CARNEGIE!***



## **Coin Identification Day**

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**FREE WITH MUSEUM ADMISSION**

Visitors can bring ancient or modern unidentified coins to The Carnegie Museum of Natural History. Experts from the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists will be on hand near Bird Hall (first floor, rear) to identify them for you. No appraisals will be given.

Call 622-3283 for further information.

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**Saturday, September 4  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm**



**THE CARNEGIE**  
Museum of Natural History

# W. P. N. S. CHAPTER

April 5, 1960

## Number IX

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, will have their monthly meeting at Carnegie Museum, on Tuesday, April 5, 1960, Museum Library. Time 8:00 P.M.

### Speaker:

President John M. Kennedy

### Subject:

"U.S. Dimes"

### Exhibits:

U.S. and Territorial Gold

Bourse Tables- Buy, sell or trade your duplicates

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### Secretary's Notes

Change of Address: Dr. J. O. Sloss, 1425 3rd Ave., Beaver, Pa.

New Member Address: Dr. Robert Whan, 15 Hodgson Ave., Pgh. 5, Pa.

The Mon Valley Coin Club will hold an exhibit, bourse and blackboard auction in the Ball Room of the Charleroi Elks Club, Third St. and Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa. on May 15, 1960 from 11:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

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Robert Albert Lloyd  
Secretary-Treasurer

# W. P. N. S. CHARTER

Number VIII

March 1, 1960

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society will have a meeting at Carnegie Museum Library, on March 1, 1960, Time 8:00 P. M.

Subject:

"Carnegie Museum Coin Collection"

By W. W. Woodside

Exhibits:

Members Choice - Membership Tour to Coin Dept.  
(U. S. Large Cents)

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Secretary's Note

In reply to several requests about inactive members, I received information about one of our members.

Mr. Wm. A. Gaede, is in a serious condition in the Presbyterian Hospital. After recovering from a lengthy illness, he had an apparent stroke at the beginning of Feb.

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R. A. Lloyd  
Secretary-Treasurer



# W. P. N. S. CHATTER

Number VII

February 2, 1960

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, will have their meeting on Feb. 2, 1960, at the Carnegie Museum Library, Time - 8:00 P. M.

Subject:

"Coins in Your Estate"

By:

Mr. Emerson S. Smith

Exhibits:

Cut and Counterstamped Pieces, Numismatic Items other than Coins

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## NEWS

### Change of Address

David L. Davis - 729 Mellon St., Pgh. 6, Pa.  
Charles F. Gratz - 6230 5th Ave., Pgh. 32, Pa.  
Thomas G. Young - 4047 Cambronne St., Pgh. 12, Pa.

### New Member (Corresponding Member)

Mr. R. M. Greig, 2 Sallis Ave., Tranmere, South Australia

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Attendance at last meeting - 21 members and 3 visitors

Robert A. Lloyd  
Secretary-Treasurer

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# W. P. N. S. CHATTER

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NUMBER VI

Month of Dec., 1959

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, will have a meeting on Tues., Dec. 1, 1959, time 8:00 P. M., at the Carnegie Museum Library.

Speaker for the evening will be Mr. Robert S. Porter Jr., "Coin Values, Buying, Selling."

Exhibits - Oriental Coins , old and new Greek and Roman Coins.

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MAY I WISH YOU ALL A

Merry  
Christmas

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Robert A. Lloyd  
Secretary-Treasurer

# W. P. N. S. CHARTER

number IV

Month of Nov.

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society will have a meeting, on Nov. 3, 1959, at Carnegie Museum Library, time - 8:00 P. M., Speaker - Mr. Charles F. Gratz, Subject - "U.S. Proof Coins Before 1858" Exhibits - Proof Coins of All Countries.

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## ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society will be held on Nov. 21st, at Stouffer's Restaurant, Wood St., Time - 6:00 P. M. to 11:00 P. M., Price - \$4.00 for Steak Dinner, Bourse tables and Exhibits will be there. Speaker - Mr. Michael Kolman Jr., from Federal Coin Exchange, (Cleveland, Ohio)  
Subject - "Mint Errors"

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Robert A. Lloyd  
*Robert A. Lloyd*  
Secretary-Treasurer



January 4, 1946

It is proposed that Article VI, paragraph 2, of the By-laws of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society be amended as follows:

Article VI, paragraph 2 presently reads:

2. Corresponding Members shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. They will be expected to correspond with the Society at least once every six months on topics relating to the objects for which this Society is established.

It is proposed that the following be added to Article VI, paragraph 2:

All Corresponding Members shall be exempt from payment of dues. In addition to those persons elected to Corresponding Membership, former Resident Members who have been in good standing for at least one (1) year and now reside more than fifty (50) miles from Pittsburgh, may be transferred to Corresponding Membership by action of the Executive Committee.

W.P.N.S. '59  
CHATTER

The regular meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, will be held on Sept. 1, 1959, at 8:00 P.M., Carnegie Museum Library, Pgh., Pa. The subject will be "Various Aspects of Coin Collecting" by Ray Byrne. The Exhibits will be "Commemorative and Memorial Items of All Countries."

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In reply to the Dues Statement, that was sent with the last notice, the amount of \$10.00, was received by yours truly. How about the rest of the membership?

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Prospective members of our society are: Dr. R. J. Hudson, a physician, with offices at 121 University Place, Pgh. 13, Pa., and Mr. Lee F. Mason, of 11601 Clematis Blvd., Pgh. 35, Pa., Member of A.N.A. for 25 years. Mr. Mason and Vi Mason purchased the coin business of the late Robert G. Sommers. GOOD LUCK!

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Looking for the new address of Clyde F. MacKewiz.

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If the Russians were really proud of their Communist experiment, instead of an Iron Curtain they would put in a Plate Glass Window.

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Our meeting on Oct. 6th, will be "The Decimal Coinage of Canada", by our Curator Prosper E. DeVos, Exhibits - Foreign Gold, U.S. Commemoratives.

SEE YOU ALL THERE?

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Robert A. Lloyd

Secretary - Treasurer



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JAMES O. SLOSS, M. D.  
1425 THIRD STREET  
BEAVER, PA.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY  
FOR 1966-67

The president feels like an arm-chair general who, through the effort of an entire company of master sergeants, has led this group through the past two years. It is only through the combined efforts of every member that we have made any worthwhile accomplishments.

We concluded last year with an excellent movie made available to us by Mr. James Hendel. Our program in September was an excellent one by William T. Ross on "Numismatics-- 57 Varieties".

Our annual dinner was held in November at Stauffer's Restaurant and we were entertained by a wonderful illustrated talk by Mr. Eric P. Newman. Several other worthwhile programs were the work of Glen E. Otterman on "Tokens of George III Era", John A. Nelson on "Specific Gravity". Due to inclement weather and illness, certain other programs were not held according to schedule, but we had an excellent program by John L. Knabenschuh on "Ships on Tokens" and the highlight of the entire year being a memorable discussion by the eminent Mr. William W. Woodside on "Anglo-Saxon Pennies".

Besides Mr. Eric Newman another numismatic personality visiting us was Mr. Abe Kosoff.

All in all, I feel we had a very successful year.

Respectfully submitted,



Proposed Revisions to By-Laws of the  
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society  
10-1-65

Article I

1. ----of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Article II

1. ----shall approve in writing, by countersigning checks or bills, all expenditures----
3. DELETE "in books provided for the purpose ----taking his receipt for the same"----  
Also DELETE "and shall attest the President's approval of expenditures ordered by the Society"
4. DELETE "from the Secretary." ADD to first sentence "when requested."  
CHANGE "upon receipt of written approval by the President, attested by the Secretary" to read "upon countersignature of the President." DELETE "in books provided for the purpose." CHANGE "which books shall" to read "which accounts shall"---

Article III

1. ADD "Library Committee."
2. In first sentence, ADD "Library Committee."
4. DELETE "and" and ADD "and shall publish the Annual Program."
6. ADD new paragraph 6: "The Library Committee, of which the Curator shall be an ex officio member, shall act in an advisory capacity to the Curator and in addition shall review, on a continuing basis, new issues of numismatic books and publications, report on such new issues to the Society and make appropriate recommendations to the Society for such purchases as will maintain the Library current and well balanced. The Committee may from time to time cause a list to be published enumerating the contents of the Society's Library or additions thereto."

RENUMBER paragraphs 6 and 7 to "7" and "8."

Article IV

1. ADD after first sentence, "The dues year will run from July 1 to June 30."

INSERT new "Article V, Application for Membership."

The following procedure shall be followed for all applications for membership in the Society:

1. Upon receipt of an application for membership, the Membership Committee will advise the membership of the Society that such application has been received.
2. Any member having comments to offer concerning the applicant shall communicate these comments with the Membership Committee only, without delay.
3. The Membership Committee will then investigate the applicant and when the Committee is satisfied that such applicant should be voted upon, will advise the Secretary at least 10 days prior to the regular meeting at which the vote is to be held.
4. The Secretary will then advise the membership that such applicant will be voted on at the next regular meeting. Such notification will be via the monthly meeting notice postcard.
5. The applicant shall not be present at the meeting at which his application is voted on. The Secretary will advise the applicant of the Society's action on his application after it has been voted on.

RENUMBER Articles V and VI to "VI and VII."

W. W. Woodside, Chairman  
By-Laws Committee



Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society  
Curator's Report

June 3, 2003  
Wayne Homren

The annual Curator's report is generally a short affair – "Everything's still in my garage, with no new water damage." Substitute "basement" for "garage" and you've pretty much got the 2003 report. Actually, I made up the part about water damage – there is none that I've noticed, but it's an ever-present danger. A selection of items from our archives is on display this evening, including our prize possession, the original secretary's minute book from 1878.

As discussed briefly last month, I'd like to propose some initiatives for the society to consider. They fall under two general themes: preserving our heritage, and ensuring our future. Both involve the hot medium of the day, the Internet. Our newest member, Kavan Ratnatunga is a stellar example of the power of the Internet in both areas.

As we saw in his recent presentation, Kavan's web site has grown into a publication known world-wide as a definitive source for information on Sri Lankan coinage. An updated WPNS web site could be a powerful and cost-effective way to preserve our organization's heritage. Another fact which recently came to light in another local club, PNS, is that all three of PNS' newest members, including Kavan, first learned of the club via the Internet. Thus a WPNS web presence could become an effective outreach tool for recruiting new members.

I propose the following:

- Reserve a permanent domain name for the society, such as **wpns1878.org**
- Have the web site hosted at the American Numismatic Association (free to member clubs)
- Create a **new home page** and migrate the old web pages
- Update the site with new information regularly, **ESPECIALLY** information about **upcoming programs**
- Work to get many other numismatics sites to link to ours
- Work to get a number of important local western Pennsylvania sites to link to ours: newspapers, libraries, historical societies, community bulletin boards, etc.
- Choose a couple programs each year that may be attractive to members of other local groups, such a Civil War and local history buffs, fans of ancient Rome and Greece, etc.
- **PUBLICIZE** these programs well in advance; **press releases, letters, calls**
- Become a **RESOURCE** for local numismatic information – reposition the Allegheny Project for the web
- Start **SMALL**



- **Build INCREMENTALLY** – bite-sized pieces accomplishable in days, not months or years
- Go for BREADTH, not depth - **short essays** on many topics – Pittsburgh & western PA tokens, medals, paper money. Specific topics:
  - Money in colonial Pittsburgh
  - U.S. Steel anniversary medals
  - Charge coins of Pittsburgh
  - 1907 Clearing house Scrip
  - Encased coins of Pittsburgh
  - Civil War money of Pittsburgh
- Emphasis is on text, but each should have at least one quality image of the numismatic items discussed
- Promote these individual web pages throughout the net – ask other appropriate sites to link to them
- Add more papers presented at WPNS over the years
- Break the WPNS history page into many much smaller pages
- Keep adding – don't stop
- Add a **Yahoo discussion group** to announce updates to the web site & invite ALL interested parties to participate – not just WPNS members, but members of ALL local & national clubs
- **PROMOTE, PROMOTE, PROMOTE!** Send Press Releases to the local and numismatic press periodically. Get the word out that interesting information is available.

I am willing to help coordinate these efforts if the membership is truly committed to making it happen. **We need broad participation.** No web experience is necessary, just some numismatic knowledge, which you all have in abundance. If we start working toward this goal, we could have some true accomplishments to report this time next year.



# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

Founded June 14, 1878

August 31, 1976

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(1878-1978)  
WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA  
NUMISMATIC  
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The regular meeting of the Society will take place on Tuesday, September 7th at the usual time. The location for this meeting will be changed slightly. This month the meeting place will be in the basement of PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK at Fifth avenue & Craig Street. The entrance is at the foot of the steps at the side of the building.

This month's program will be a member participation discussion on various "Trends in Numisma." Some topics of discussion might be the recent A.N.A. convention in New York; the A.N.A. grading board or the use of the the Mint State - 70 grading system; the high values on choice U.S. and foreign coins, as a deterrent to collecting; etc. Suggestions for other topics will be appreciated from the members. Bring some of your recent purchases for exhibit.

## Who's Who In Allegheny County Numismatics

Communion Tokens.....	WILLIAM WOODSIDE	363-4027
Transportation Tokens.....	RAY BYRNE	305- 276- 2629
Civil War Cents & Insurance Items.....	LARRY DZIUBEK	931-4939
Coal Mining & Beer Items.....	GORDON DODRILL	884-5596
Animals and Food Related.....	ED SCHENCK	793-1347
Parking Tokens.....	DUANE FEISEL	
	WESLEY COLTMAN	835-4360
Commeratives.....	DICK CROSBY	281-1496
Store Cards.....	ARMOR MURDOCH	731-9807
Westinghouse Items.....	GLENN MOONEY	371-2249
Banking Items.....	BILL HUNTER	462-3931

Our present main objective is to build information, then publish the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society's Allegheny County Survey in 1978. It is hoped that individuals will supply new information and verify catalogue items. A report on each of the various categories will expected at some later date.

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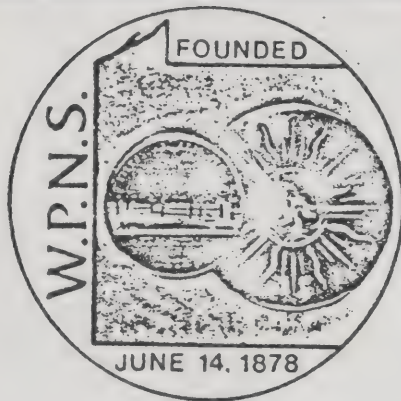
Survey Coordinator.....	Bill Hunter	462-3931
Technical Staff.....	Glenn Mooney	371-2249
	Bruce Mc Avoy	

Bill Hunter has indicated that he will help in research of items from the Homestead area.

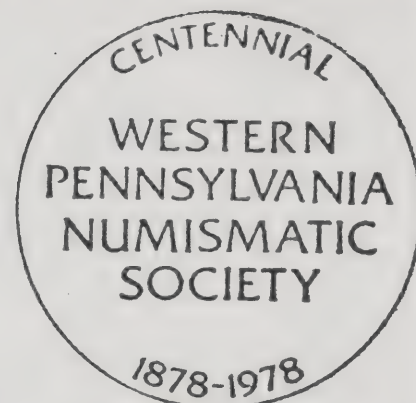
Members not named above are asked to select a topic. We know that help is needed in the following subjects: Fraternal, Political, Special Award, Amusement, Souvenir, Permits & Charge Plates, Good Luck, Pendants, Sports, Medicine, etc.

*Please address your reply to person signing letter.*





# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society



DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 1990

TIME: 7:30 to 8:00 PM.

★ WHERE: Carnegie Museum Annex, 5800 Baum Blvd.

PROGRAM: The First Philadelphia Mint, by Wayne Homren.

★ Please note above change of location for the April meeting, (see enclosed map). The only identification on the building is the # 5800 on the front. Door on right side is entry; ring bell for admittance. Some of the group will meet for dinner at 6:00 PM at Jimmy Tsang's, (also on Map) (ALL INVITED).

## -----MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE-----

Larry Dziubek advised he received an application for membership and questionnaire from Ralph Ruggiero. His committee will take this up and report back at the next meeting.

## -----WPNS TAX STATUS-----

Dick Gaetano reports he talked to a friend who is a tax consultant and was told that we should apply for an exemption. Chuck Erb advised there is a letter in the archives regarding this. Dick will look for the letter and we will discuss it further. Don Carlucci says you have to prove that you are a non-profit and an educational organization.

## ---TOPICAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY---

Jerry Porter mentioned correspondence from Mr. Dennis Rainey, a retired Biology professor at a California University who is interested in starting such a society. Mr. Rainey writes the "critter's corner" in World Coin News. He has put out an initial newsletter which was passed around at the March meeting to sound out interest in such a club.

## -----ANNUAL PAN SHOW-----

Don Carlucci advised that the annual PAN show will be held in Pittsburgh at the convention center, Oct. 5, 6, 7, 1990. A planning meeting for this show was held at Ed Krivoniak's house, Mar. 13, and it was very well attended. The committee is optimistic for a good dealer turnout and requests any interested volunteers contact them.

## -----COIN IDENTIFICATION DAY-----

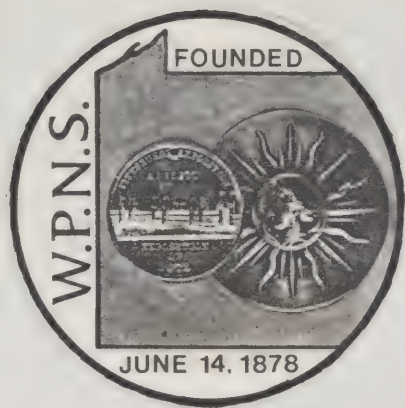
Wayne Homren and Dick Buckley have discussed this with Jim Richardson who is interested in doing it again. They will try to set a date in May.

Another good turnout at the March meeting with 19 members and two guests (Mike Homza & Ralph Ruggiero). John Nelson gave a very interesting program on Numismatic Equestrians.

COIN SHOW - ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLES - CASTLE SHANNON FIREHALL, APRIL 8.

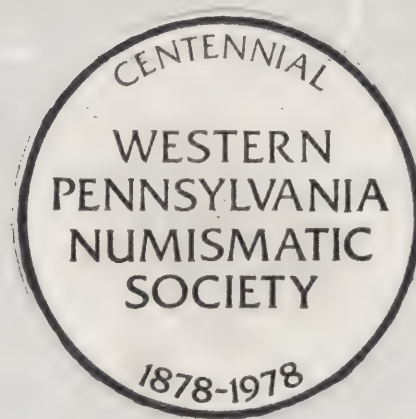
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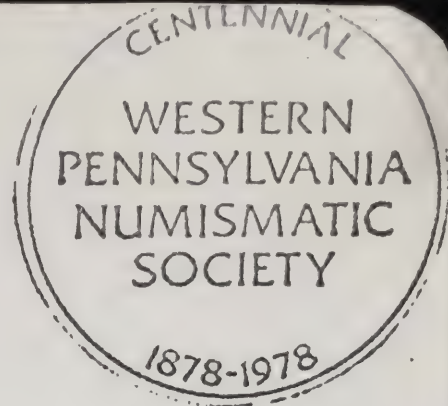


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# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

February 25, 1980



The next WPNS meeting: DATE: Tuesday, March 4, 1980  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: Mellon Bank, Fifth and Craig Street  
PROGRAM: "Japanese Porcelain Coins" by J. W. Coltman  
EXHIBITS: Non-metallic Coins or any exhibit of your choice.



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NOTE - The meeting is at the Mellon Bank

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Surely had a big turn-out last month for the ANA Slides on Silver Dollars by Larry D.  
Let's keep it up every month!!

\*\*\*\*\*  
OUR MEMBERS - Bob Porter is still recuperating - we all wish him well.

\*\*\*\*\*  
Bob Dixon - a former WPNS member - died Saturday, February 9, at home.  
He attended the 1978 100th Anniversary Dinner.

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The membership will vote at March 4 meeting on Dr. Chas. F. Gratz - a former WPNS member -  
also Don Carlucci - a collector and active member with PAN organization.

## DO YOU KNOW THESE NUMISMATIC TERMS?

ELECTRUM - A natural alloy of 75 per cent silver and 25 per cent gold.  
ENGRAILED EDGE - Having an edge formed by a ring of dots or curvilinear indentations.  
ESSAI or ESSAYS - Pattern or trial coins (French).  
ERERGUE - The lower field of a coin, usually on the reverse.  
FACE - The obverse of a coin.  
FASCES - A bundle of rods around an axe, symbol of consular authority. (Scribe's note -  
See Mercury Dime)  
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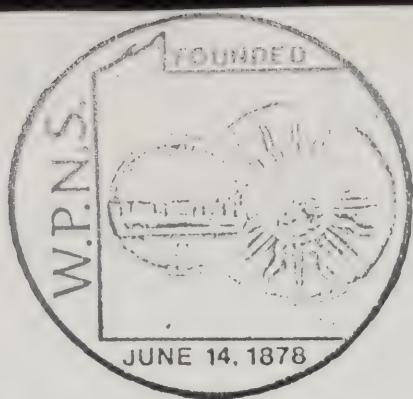
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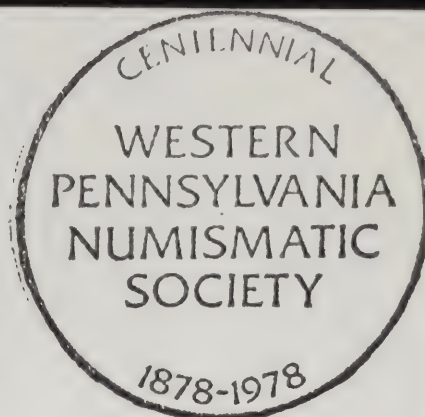
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# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

March 21, 1980



The next WPNS Meeting: DATE: Tuesday, April 1, 1980

TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts 8:15 P.M.

WHERE: P. A. A. (Pittsburgh Athletic Association Bldg.)

Fifth and Bigelow Blvd. - across from Cathedral of Learning

PROGRAM: "Early Pittsburgh Bank Notes" by Ray Rennick

EXHIBITS: Paper Money or whatever

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The officers are most happy to announce that two new members were voted in at the March meeting: Donald Carlucci and Dr. Charles F. Gratz.

Congratulations - we welcome you aboard.

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Your scribe recently saw Bob Porter out and about--we were glad to see that he is improving immensely.

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Glenn Money reports that the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society and members of WPNS submitted 22 exceptions to Judge Zavarella's memorandum stating his intention to rule on the sale of the Carnegie Museum Collection. The Appellate Court of the Judge en banc accepted the appeal and set a hearing for arguments on exceptions for April 7, 1980.

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The members will vote at April 1 meeting on Richard Boerio's application for membership.

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DO YOU KNOW THESE NUMISMATIC TERMS?

FOURRE - A plated coin.

FUGIO CENT - A copper coin struck in 1787 by authority of the Continental Congress of the United States.

GILT - A term applied to coins of inferior metals washed with gold.

GLOBULAR - Being of considerable thickness and small diameter.

GOBRECHT DOLLARS - Pattern silver dollars struck at the Philadelphia Mint in 1836, 1838 and 1839. They were designed by Christian Gobrecht, the assistant engraver.

GOOD SAMARITAN SHILLING - An imitation of the Pine Tree Shilling struck in New England and dated 1652. It was not of official issue.

HABITANT TOKENS - Tokens issued by four banks of Lower Canada in 1837 and bearing the figure of a French-Canadian farmer.

HACIENDA TOKENS - Private tokens originating from the owners of estates in South America, et cetera.

HAMMERED COINAGE - Crude hand made coins as distinguished from the coins made on the mechanical mill and screw press.

HARD TIMES TOKENS - A popular name for a series of copper tokens struck in the United States between 1837 and 1841. They bear inscriptions for and against the Bank of the United States.

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Millionaire: "I want to be cremated and my ashes sent to IRS with a note, "NOW YOU HAVE ALL OF ME."

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Coin Shows: March 29-30 - Ligonier - Holiday Inn

April 6 - New Kensington - Holiday Inn

April 13 - Meadville - Holiday Inn

April 20 - Erie - Perry Hi-way Hose Co. - Rte. 19

April 26-27 - Steubenville, Ohio - Ft. Steuben Mall,  
Scott Highway



I know this set is expensive but there's a 10 percent discount for not griping about it."

Your Secretary  
*Chuck*  
Charles Erb

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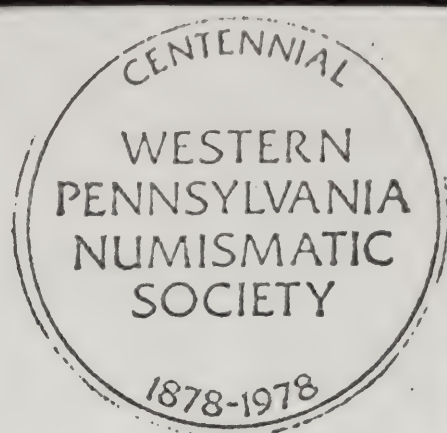






# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

February 25, 1980



The next WPNS meeting: DATE: Tuesday, March 4, 1980  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: Mellon Bank, Fifth and Craig Street  
PROGRAM: "Japanese Porcelain Coins" by J. W. Coltman  
EXHIBITS: Non-metallic Coins or any exhibit of your choice.



NOTE - The meeting is at the Mellon Bank

Surely had a big turn-out last month for the ANA Slides on Silver Dollars by Larry D. Let's keep it up every month!!

OUR MEMBERS - Bob Porter is still recuperating - we all wish him well.

Bob Dixon - a former WPNS member - died Saturday, February 9, at home. He attended the 1978 100th Anniversary Dinner.

The membership will vote at March 4 meeting on Dr. Chas. F. Gratz - a former WPNS member - also Don Carlucci - a collector and active member with PAN organization.

## DO YOU KNOW THESE NUMISMATIC TERMS?

ELECTRUM - A natural alloy of 75 per cent silver and 25 per cent gold.

ENGRAILED EDGE - Having an edge formed by a ring of dots or curvilinear indentations.

ESSAI or ESSAYS - Pattern or trial coins (French).

ERERGUE - The lower field of a coin, usually on the reverse.

FACE - The obverse of a coin.

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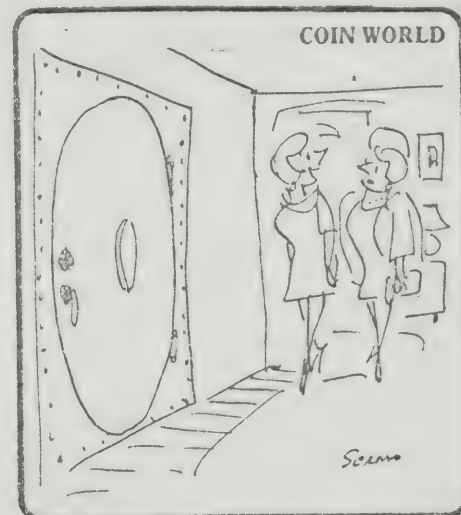
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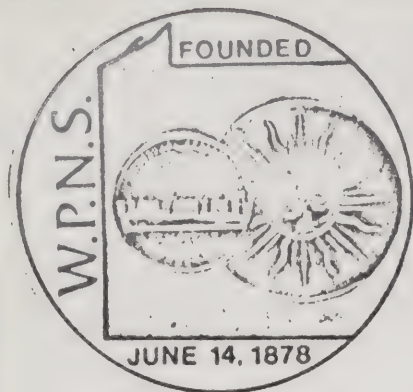
Will Rogers

So--come to the meeting!!!



"And this is my husband's den—he's probably looking through his gold coins right now."





# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

March 26, 1979



The next WPNS meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 1979  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:00 P.M.  
WHERE: Mellon Bank, Fifth and Craig, Oakland  
PROGRAM: "Ancient Bible Coins" by Ray Rennick  
EXHIBITS: Renaissance Coins



We had a good turnout at the March meeting for the fine program by George Kules. Let's turn out for the April meeting--you old timers come join the gang.

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For those of you not in Pittsburgh, Judge Paul Zavarella in the case involving the Carnegie Museum's plan to place its Numismatic and Philatelic collection up for auction decided to grant a six month continuation of the case on March 13. We in WPNS hopefully would like to see the collections stay in Pittsburgh.

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For those of you that want to get some Numismatic Education we suggest you get a copy of "OFFICIAL A.N.A. GRADING STANDARDS FOR UNITED STATES COINS." Read the PREFACE, INTRODUCTION, WHY GRADING IS IMPORTANT, LIGHTING AND MAGNIFICATION, CHARACTERISTICS OF A COINS SURFACE, STRIKING AND DIE WEAKNESSES, ETC. In other words read the paragraphs prior to the start of grading of HALF CENTS. You will be surprised at how informative these pages are. One real shocker, however, is the grading of Proof Coins!

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Sam Paguia, applicant for membership, will be voted on by members at this meeting. Sam was very active in our WPNS Centennial Celebration in 1978 and in the support of holding the Carnegie Museum collection in Pittsburgh.

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Did you know that--John Reich, early mint engraver, reportedly put his "fat mistress" on the bust half dollar 1807-1836. The curator of the mint collection, W. E. DuBois, made this charge as early as the 1860's and must have heard it from persons such as Adam Eckfeldt--who were at the mint in 1807.

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SCHEDULED COIN SHOWS: April 7-8 - YWCA, 2501 Dudley Ave., Parkersburg, W. Va.  
April 8 - Perry Hi-way Hose Co., Route 19, Erie, Pa.  
April 28-29 - West Frederick Jr. High School, Frederick, Md.  
April 26-29 - Central States Numismatic Society Convention,  
Mt. Hyatt Regency Hotel, Dearborn, Mich. BIG SHOW!  
July 28-August 2 - ANA Convention, St. Louis, Mo.



Your Secretary,

Charles Erb

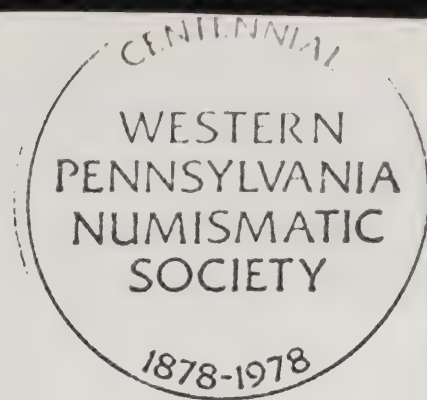
"It was a dream vacation--Harold discovered six more coin shops than he expected."

Please address your reply to person signing letter.



# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

May 28, 1979



The next WPNS Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, June 5, 1979  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:00 P.M.  
WHERE: Mellon Bank, Fifth and Craig, Oakland  
PROGRAM: "Annual Business Meeting"--Election of 1979-80 Officers  
EXHIBITS: Items to Trade or Sell, Auction also

Let's have a good turnout for the meeting.

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This will be the Annual Business Meeting. The Nominating Committee consisting of Emerson Smith, Nick Tutelo and Larry Dziubek presented at the May meeting the following slate of officers for the 1979-80 period:

President - Bruce McAvoy  
Vice President - Cliff Sutton  
Treasurer - Charles Erb  
Secretary -  
Curator - Nick Tutelo

The office of Secretary remains open--anyone that would like to serve please contact Emerson Smith.

There will be an election of officers and additional nominations may be made from the floor.

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In addition to the Annual Meeting an Auction on two items donated by Emerson Smith will be held. One item is a Pittsburgh Bank Medal and the other two (2) Pittsburgh Bank Notes (unsigned) dated 1815. The proceeds of the auction will be put into the WPNS Treasury.

If any members have any items they wish to auction off please bring to meeting.

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Did you know that--In past years a number of overdates were discovered on various coin denominations. Now almost every year a number of varieties in mintmark overstrikes have been discovered and especially among the Jefferson Nickels. Some that appear now in the Redbook are:

5¢ 1938D D over S  
1943P 3 over 2 overdate  
1954S S over D  
1955D D over S

Among the Washington Quarters--

25¢ 1950D D over S  
1950S S over D

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Wayne Homren, sponsored by Glenn Mooney, will be voted on for membership at this meeting. Wayne is a student at the University of Pittsburgh.

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SCHEDULED COIN SHOWS: June 10 - Coin and Stamp Show, Holiday Inn East, 915 Brinton Road, Parkway East at Rte. 30 Exit, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
June 16-17 - Holiday Inn, Route 220, Altoona, Pa.  
June 24 - Knights of Columbus Hall, 439 East State Street, Sharon, Pa., Shenango Valley Coin Club  
July 1 - Holiday Inn, Ligonier, Pa.  
July 6-8 - Marriott Hotel, 4277 W. 150th St., Cleveland, Ohio  
July 21-22 - Coin and Stamp Show, Sheraton Airport Inn, Beers School Road, Coraopolis, Pa.

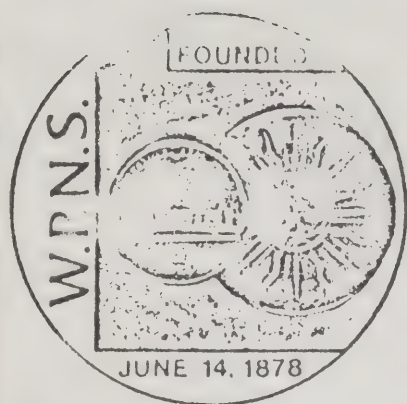


Your Secretary,  
Charles Erb

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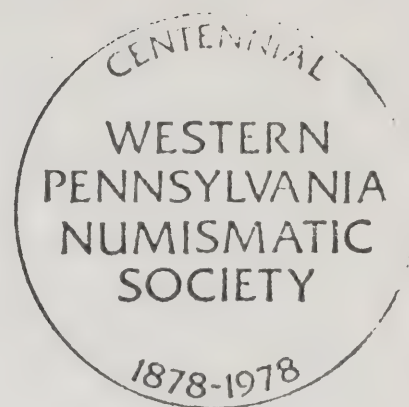






# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

October, 1981



The next WPNS meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, 3 November, 1981  
Time: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: See below  
PROGRAM: " "  
EXHIBITS: Exhibit at EVERY meeting.

BRING A FRIEND

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The NOVEMBER meeting of WPNS will be held at -

The Marriott Inn  
101 Marriott Dr.  
Greentree, Penna.

We will also be at the Marriott  
for our meetings of Dec. 1  
Jan. 5  
Feb. 2

NOTE:

The BAR is good, and the FOOD is excellent.  
Some, no doubt, will come early.

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COOKIE MILLER was in Canada last month and  
missed a fine dinner meeting. We did have  
twenty eight - Members and Guests.

The AUCTION realized over TWO HUNDRED  
dollars for our club.

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The program for November will be -

THE NUMISMATIC HISTORY OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

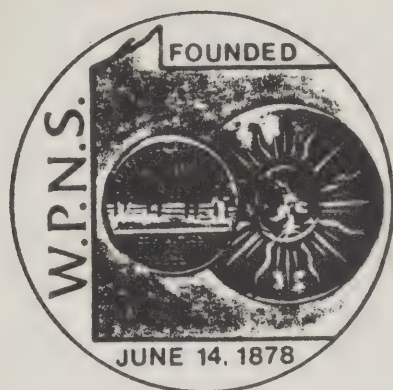
by Richard F. Buckley

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Our 'PROGRAM' for 1981/82 is now  
at the printers. We will have it  
to you shortly --- Looks like  
another outstanding club year.

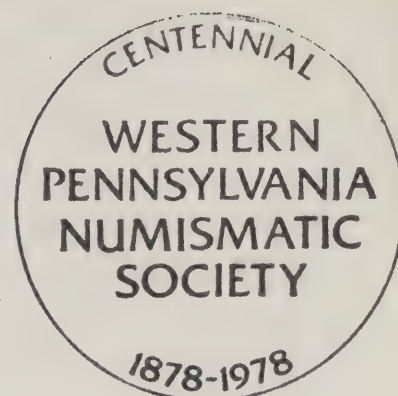
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# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

January, 1982



The next WPNS meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, 2 February, 1982  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: The Marriott Inn  
101 Marriott Drive, Greentree, Penna.  
PROGRAM: See below  
EXHIBITS: Modern Coins-----However, any article of NUMISMATIC interest  
will be enjoyed.

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The program for this month will be given by our past  
President and good friend ARMOR MURDOCH.

The subject----"FIRE MARKS".

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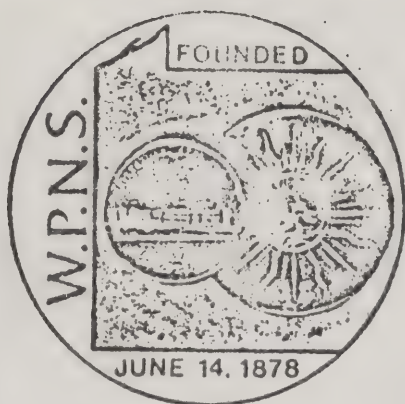
## CHANGE OF LOCATION

The MARCH meeting of WPNS will be held at the "BANK"  
again. SEE THE FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER for particulars.  
We have acquired some TIME and SPACE and expect to  
be holding a discussion of this at our upcoming  
meeting.

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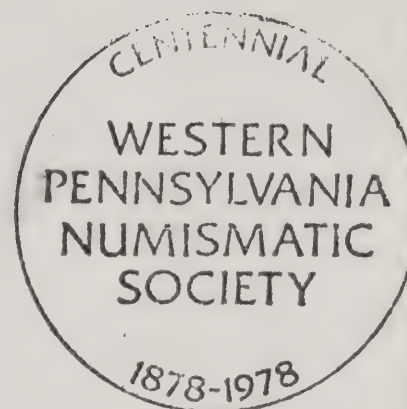
BRING A GUEST





# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

February, 1982



The next WPNS meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, 2 March, 1982  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: See below  
PROGRAM: "A Medal the Mint Forgot"  
EXHIBITS: Error Coins -----by GLENN MOONEY

Exhibit at EVERY meeting.

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## CHANGE IN LOCATION:

PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK  
4022 5th. Ave. (at Craig)  
OAKLAND

Across the road from our old digs at the Mellon Bank.

Free parking in the lot.

Walk to right - Down steps - Ring bell.

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## PLEASE NOTE:

The WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY's Dues for membership have been the same (\$1.00) since 1878.

Starting with the Annual Business Meeting in JUNE (1982/83 year), the NEWSLETTER ASSESSMENT has been increased to \$4.00 per year.

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At this time the MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE has no applications to consider. Bring a friend---A perspective member.

The INITIATION FEE is \$2.00 payable with application formembership.

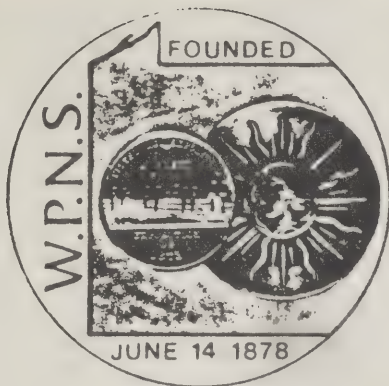
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They may not have been "BORN LOSERS" - But ---

Peter Cocci of the US Bureau of Printing and Engraving (The Father of the Two Dollar bill) designed one of the last 18¢ stamps.

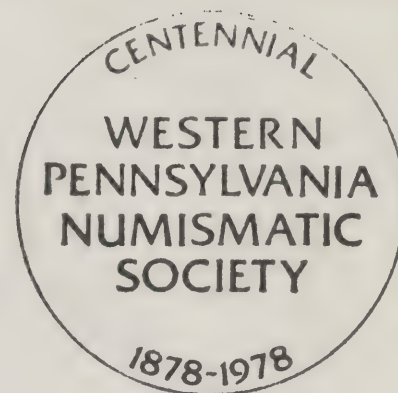
President Theodore Roosevelt ordered the motto "In God We Trust" eliminated from coins. It took a Congressional Bill by a Pennsylvanian to put it back.

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Western Pennsylvania  
Numismatic Society

March, 1982



The next WPNS meeting;

DATE: Tuesday, 6 April, 1982  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK  
4022 Fifth Ave. (at Craig)  
Oakland  
PROGRAM: "Ancient Bible Coins"  
by Ray Rennick  
EXHIBITS: Foreign Coins, Medals.

Exhibit at EVERY meeting.

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SNOW CANCELLATION

It was unfortunate that with the ICE and SNOW, our March second meeting was cancelled. Let's hope that we won't have that problem again for another year.

It is hard to think that, from last month's program, we have missed GLENN MOONEY's talk on "A Medal the Mint Forgot. Let's hope that we can reschedule Glenn for the fall.

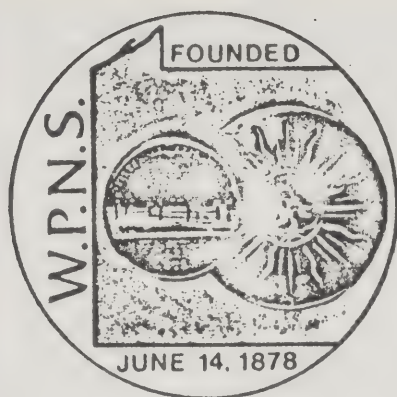
With a hope for good weather, NOW would be an excellent time to bring a NUMISMATIST to a meeting. We have Ray Rennick with his talk on ANCIENT BIBLE COINS ready for this month. For the balance of the summer - - Gaetano, Sutton, and Korchnak are in the wings.

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

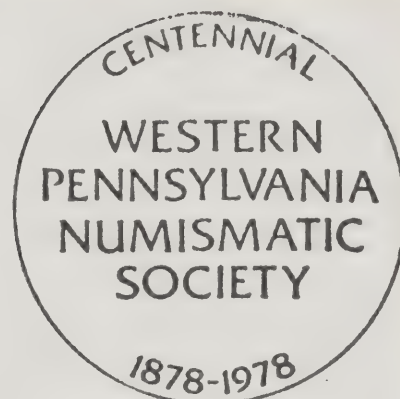
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# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

April, 1982



The next WPNS meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, 4 May, 1982  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK  
4022 Fifth Ave. (at Craig)  
Oakland  
PROGRAM: "Sutler Tokens" by Dick Gaetano  
EXHIBITS: Tokens

Exhibit at EVERY meeting.

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A NOMINATING COMMITTEE will be appointed at this  
(the MAY) meeting, and will report back at our  
"ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING" in June.

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## NOTE:

If you would like to be one of the first to pay your 1982/83 DUES ----

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### DUES NOTICE

Dues for year 1982/83	\$ 1.00
Newsletter Assessment	4.00
	<u>\$ 5.00 Total</u>

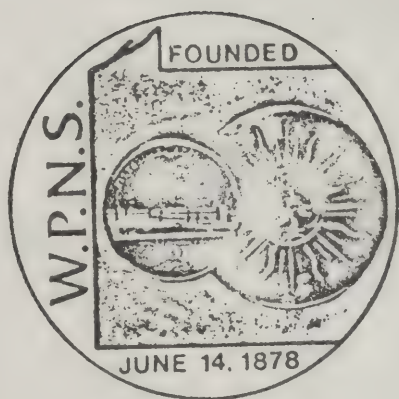
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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Bring to the meeting - or - Mail to-

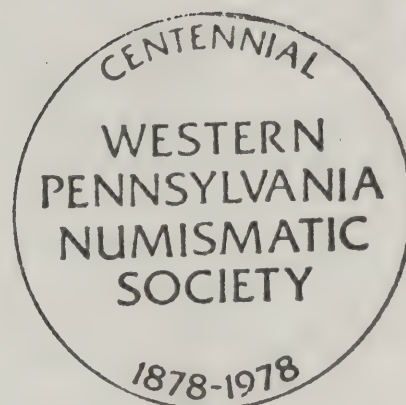
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# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

May, 1982



The next WFNS meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, 1 June, 1982  
TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.  
WHERE: PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK  
4022 Fifth Ave. (at Craig)  
Oakland  
PROGRAM: See below.  
EXHIBITS: Bring an article of NUMISMATIC interest.

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## PROGRAM

Annual Business Meeting.

Officer Reports.

Election of Officers for the 1982/83 Year.

Vote on the membership application of Mr. William Lowery.

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee recommendations are-

For PRESIDENT----Charles N. Erb  
For VICE PRES.----Lawrence C. Korchnak  
For SECRETARY----From the Floor  
For TREASURER----Raymond Rennick  
For CURATOR-----Nick Tutelo

and -----Nominations from the floor.

NOTE: At this time the position of SECRETARY is open and the Committee asks if any of the membership would be interested. If so, please call.

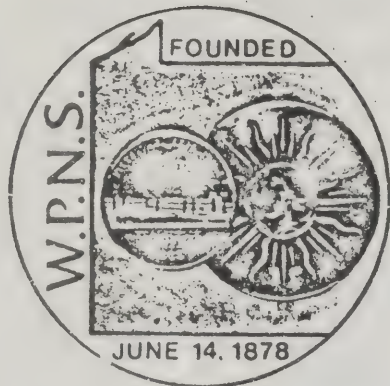
Armor A. Murdoch - Chairman	731-9807
Glen A. Mooney	371-2249
Larry C. Dziubek	931-4939

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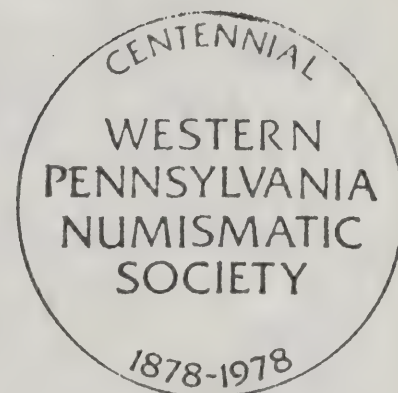
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*J. Wesley Colman Sec.*



# Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

June 25, 1982



The Next WPNS Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, July 6, 1982

TIME: 7:30 P.M., Meeting starts at 8:15 P.M.

WHERE: PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK

4022 Fifth Ave

Oakland

PROGRAM: See Below

Exhibits: Bring an article of NUMISMATIC interest.

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## PROGRAM

PITTSBURGH CLEARING HOUSE

CLIFF SUTTON

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THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 1982-1983 TERM ARE

PRESIDENT CHARLES N. ERB  
VICE. PRES. LAWRENCE C. KORCHNAK  
SECRETARY L. D. BUZZ ECOFF  
TREASURER RAYMOND RENNICK  
CURATOR NICK TUTELO

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Congratulations to the WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY for their efforts to retain the CARNEGIE COLLECTION IN PITTSBURGH. The battle lines are forming again. The NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY won the KQV Radio Poll recently when the question of the validity of the Carnegie Museum to sell the collection was put to the radio audience.

Dues are now being accepted for the 1982/83 CLUB year.

\$1.00	Dues
4.00	Newsletter
<u>\$5.00</u>	Total

Buzz Ecoff Sec.

Please address your reply to person signing letter.



A Secretary's Report to the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic  
Society Concerning the 1993 - 1994 Numismatic Year

Already a year has past since I reflected upon my observations as Secretary of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society. At that time I stated what I felt was three goals that the society should undertake for the betterment of the organization.

Goal number one was the contention that "anyone giving a presentation to the membership should also present it in written form, not only for the benefit of the present members, but for the benefit of posterity".

I am pleased to relate that this goal was almost universally accepted and one hundred per cent attained. However, it gained even more importance with the printing of the first W.P.N.S. journal by Society Editor, E. Tomlinson Fort, who gathered a grouping of club member presentations and bound them together in journal form to create the first of a series of W.P.N.S. journals.

My second goal was to have the membership of W.P.N.S. "assist in fostering the wants, needs, and goals not only of our local organization, but also of the state and national numismatic organizations." At a time when shows and conventions of model trains, guns, baseball cards, jewelry, and antique collectibles seem to be in vogue, numismatics in general need a boost from its staunchest supporters - its collector fraternity. We should all work together to make the Pittsburgh area a strong numismatic center.

My last goal was "that the organization might entertain the striking of a modern W.P.N.S. medal, perhaps in silver". Since that time a membership medal committee has been created consisting of Wayne Homren, Richard Gaetano, and Donald Carlucci. The thoughts of striking membership medals in both gold and silver metals have been discussed. Although no firm decisions have been made, initial



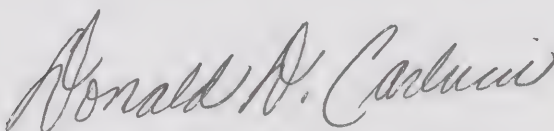
correspondence between the minter, Silvertowne of Winchester, Indiana and the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society have been completed. Further action will be in direct response to the wants, needs, and wishes of the membership.

A special note must be made of the efforts that Past President Wayne Homren has made with the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania in preserving the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society's archives in a safe, climate controlled depository for the knowledge, enlightenment, and perhaps even enjoyment that these numismatic recordings may give to future generations.

Although no formal arrangements have been made, the preliminary ground work has been established. Again, this goal can only be completed in accordance with the wants, needs, and wishes of the membership.

As I had stated one year before, these "comments and observations are my own and are only meant for the consideration of the society".

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Donald D. Carlucci".

Donald D. Carlucci

Secretary

The January 1984 meeting of W.P.N.S. was called to order by President, Chuck Erb at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes for the December 1983 meeting had not been received from Buzz Ecoff so no report of that meeting was available.

In the absence of the Treasurer a financial report was made by the President.

The President explained the reasons for our meeting being held at the University Club tonight. Just a couple of days prior to Christmas, 1983 the President received a phone call from the manager of the Pittsburgh National Bank where we had been meeting.

He was informed that a new policy had been instituted at the Bank. The room accommodations would only be available when the association requesting the use of the room would provide themselves with a security guard. The reason being that their insurance coverages were voided unless guard services were provided.

The President contacted several guard services and made a report on the approximate costs. Further report is to be made at the February meeting.

In the light of recent banking regulations requiring minimum account balances to avoid service charges, and Federal Government regulations requiring identification numbers to avoid withholding interest on income accounts a motion was made by Glenn Mooney and seconded by William Hunter, Jr. to withdraw all monies from our savings account and deposit same into our checking account. The motion passed unanimously.

The Membership Committee, consisting of Armor Murdoch, Chairman, William Hunter, Jr. and Dr. Charles Gratz submitted to the society without recommendation, the Application For Membership of Ms. ROSELLA BAHM.

The President called for discussion on the Application, which was had and he then appointed tellers; Mr. William Lowery and Mr. Ed. Kravoniak.

Twelve ballots were cast and the results were Yes 6; No 5; Abstentions 1;. The Secretary ~~Secretary~~ was instructed to inform the applicant and to return the application fee.

Ray Van Ormer cautioned the membership about activities concerning "Phoney Jewelry" It seems that a base metal has been given a light wash of gold and then attempts are made (sometimes successful) to pass same as 10k or 14k Gold. He urged caution when you are offered "Gold" items of jewelry by vendors unknown to you.



In discussion of the Allegheny Project the membership approved a payment of the current obligations as billed, of \$178.08, plus an item of \$50.00 for approximately 3 pages of work processing.

Motion was made not to spend monies at this time for new sections but approval was granted to pay for units in process. It is estimated that about \$50. will be needed for completion of this section of the Project.

The membership then approved a payment of \$25. of rental expenses of this /evening.

There was extended discussion on trying to locate a permanent meeting place and the President requested cooperation in locating such a site.

Ed. Krivoniak gave a very interesting presentation on New Zealand coinage. He had an extensive display and explained his reasons for becoming interested in the coinage of this country. His collection was commenced about 10 years ago. Thanks Ed. for an excellent endeavor.

Glenn Mooney exhibited Drachm and Tetradachm of Macedonia

Larry Dizubek spoke of a new book "Patriotic Civil War Tokens"

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Armor M. Murdoch  
Acting Secretary.



The February 1984 meeting of W.P.N.S. was called to order by President Chuck Erb at 8:15 p.m. Thirteen members were in attendance.

Minutes of the January 1984 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Ray Renick made the following report which was filed for audit.

Checking account balance, Feb. 7, 1984	\$602.61
Disbursements Feb. 7, 1984	225.08 *
Checking Account balance Feb. 7, 1984	<u>\$377.53</u>
Landmark Savings	236.84
Balance Feb. 7, 1984	<u>\$614.37</u>

\*Disbursements Itemized:

Check #	Payee/Item	Amount	
180	Book Project	\$178.08	
181	Feb. Rent (University Club)	25.00	
182	Larry Korchnak/Printing	22.00	\$ 225.08

The Secretary presented a statement for expenses for January & February, in the amount of \$24.15. Glenn Mooney moved for payment, seconded by Roger Hershey, passed unanimously. (The Secretary Thanks You All.)

Correspondence: The secretary read a copy of letter sent to Ms. Rahm advising her the results of her Application for Membership. Also read to the membership was a reply sent by her, dated January 25, 1984. The Secretary was directed to respond to her inquiry. A copy of all correspondence is provided herewith.

Tax

President Erb stated that he had received a new U.S.I.R./Number. (#251452597) and correspondence was being addressed to his residence. There was a discussion about rental of a Post Office Box, rates and location. It was finally decided to accept a suggestion by Richard Crosby that he would be willing to have U.S.I.R. tax correspondence addressed to him as his place of business. Motion was made by Roy Van Orhmer, seconded by Larry Korchniak and approved by the membership.

Allegheny Project: William Hunter stated that the bills as approved ~~at~~ at the January meeting had been paid and the new work will be done as referred to in the January minutes.

There was a discussion about the dues outstanding and about the mailing of the bulletin. The Secretary and the Treasurer are to review this subject and revise the mailing list accordingly.

Roger Hershey made a report about his inquiry concerning the meeting rooms at Hillman & Carnegie Libraries. The results of his efforts did not locate any available accommodations. Member Don Carlucci, President of PAN Will Enquire about possible availability of space where they meet. He also invited all members of W.P.N.S. to attend PAN Meetings, the 4th. Wed. of each month.

Don Carlucci also distributed copies of Vol. 1, No. 1 of "The CLARION", to our members who are also members of PAN. This is a strikingly attractive and interesting 40 page Journal outlining the formation and the first five years activities. They deserve our support, both as individuals and as W.P.N.S. Club membership.

Programs and Exhibits: Larry Dziubek, assisted by Richard Crosby, presented an informative slide program from A.N.A. Title was "STATE & FEDERAL COPPERS OF MEXICO". Crosby had an exhibit of memorabilia from the Wild West Show of Buffalo Bill. Dziubek had a display of ancient coinage, and ancient, (LARGE EILL) display of early American Paper Money. Murdoch exhibited Proof Coins of the XXXIII Olympiad.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Armor M. Murdoch  
Acting Secretary.

Chuck  
Erb

W. P. N. S.

The March 4, 1984 meeting of W.P.N.S. was called to order by President Chuck Erb at 8:15 p.m. Thirteen members were present. There were no visitors.

Minutes of the February 1984 meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer reported a balance in our accounts of \$658.46.

There was no correspondence.

There was extended discussion on the dues structure. The membership was requested NOT to pay dues for more than one year beyond any current year.

Larry Dziubek reported negative results in locating meeting space at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall. Likewise Larry Korchnak said efforts were unsuccessful in locating accommodations at Carlow College.

The April meeting will be held at the University Club.

The meeting was adjourned and the program was presented.

The Program consisted of an AUCTION, which net the Society \$31.05.

Larry Korchnak exhibited seige coins, one of which was from the Howard Gibbs collection, and a 1561 shilling of the ### reign of Elizabeth.

Richard Crosby displayed a book on "Scriptology", and a second book by Hollender on Stock Certificates.

Armor M. Murdoch  
Acting Secretary.



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*Assorted Seafood Platter Broiled ala Louie*

*Boneless Chicken Breast ala Marsala Stuffed with  
Prosciutto and Cheese in Mushroom Sauce*

*Fresh Filet Of Salmon With Honey Cajun Glaze*

## *DINNER INCLUDES*

*Fruit Cup*

*Tossed Salad*

*Baked Potato & Vegetable*

*Sherbet*

WPNS Social Meeting

Nov 2, 2004

Election night

Bush vs Kerry

Auditing committee:

Approved

Date

William V. Hunter, Jr.

*William V. Hunter Jr.*

7/15/03

Wayne Homren

Setup: summary

Jun 17,03

summary	Beg:Jun 01,02	End:May 31,03	Type: A
start checking -entered	1,140.51		
checking interest		9.42	
dues		179.00	
other income		0.00	
summary income total		188.42	
expenses			190.94
income less expense	2.52-		
end checking	1,137.99		
starting CD -entered	1,846.38		
CD interest		56.63	
end CD	1,903.01		
money total	3,041.00		
Start Life Fund -entered	750.00		
Life Fund change	0.00		
Life Fund total end	750.00		

CD Allegh Val Bnk 7010041782

Ledger: CD.ALLVB

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Name	CD.ALLVB	Reconcile R	
Description	CD Allegh Val Bnk 7010041782	Date	Aug 21,01
Normal Bal	D	Balance	53.74
Date	Ref#	Description	Debit   Credit
		Opening balance at Jun 01,02	1,846.38
Aug 21,02		interest rolled over	33.14
Feb 21,03		interest rolled over	23.49
		Total Debits & Credits	56.63   0.00
		Ending Balance	1,903.01



Name		CHK.ALLVB		Reconcile R	
Description		check Allegh Val Bnk 8109381		Date	
				Apr 30, 03	
Date	Ref#	Description	Debit	Credit	
		Opening balance at Jun 01,02	1,140.51		
Jun 04,02	145	Larry Dziubek secretary exp		42.45	
Jun 04,02	146	ANA NY Convention		25.00	
Jun 04,02	Deposit	Dues Corleen Chesonis	8.00		
Jun 04,02	Deposit	Dues Skip Culleton	8.00		
Jun 04,02	Deposit	Dues Larry Dziubek	8.00		
Jun 04,02	Deposit	Dues Nevin Greninger	8.00		
Jun 04,02	Deposit	Dues Jerry Veeck	8.00		
Jun 28,02	Int	Interest	0.94		
Jul 31,02	Int	Interest	0.95		
Aug 06,02	147	AKVHS-donation		25.00	
Aug 06,02	Deposit	Dues Ed Shenk	8.00		
Aug 06,02	Deposit	Dues Al Stricker	8.00		
Aug 06,02	Deposit	Dues Paul Schultz	8.00		
Aug 06,02	Deposit	Dues Part of N. Garver	2.00		
Aug 06,02	Deposit	Dues Dick Crosby	8.00		
Aug 30,02	Int	Interest	0.95		
Sep 30,02	Int	Interest	0.92		
Oct 31,02	Int	Interest	0.96		
Nov 05,02	148	Skip Culleton printing		32.10	
Nov 05,02	149	Ted Shiff Banquet		515.39	
Nov 07,02	Deposit	Banquet	483.00		
Nov 29,02	Fee	Service Charge		5.00	
Nov 29,02	Int	Interest	0.66		
Dec 07,02	150	Post Box 6 mos.		29.00	
Dec 17,02	Deposit	Application & dues Kavan R.	9.00		
Dec 31,02	Int	Interest	0.81		
Jan 10,03	Dues	Dues Charles Erb for 2003	16.00		
Jan 10,03	Dues	Dues Mike Homza for 2003	16.00		
Jan 31,03	Int	Interest	0.81		
Feb 06,03	Dues	Dues Edward Krivoniak for 2002	8.00		
Feb 06,03	Dues	Dues Bruce McAvoy for 2002	8.00		
Feb 06,03	Dues	Dues Nevin Greninger for 01&02	16.00		
Feb 28,03	Int	Interest	0.75		
Mar 31,03	Int	Interest	0.84		
Apr 07,03	Dues	Dues John Burns 01, 02, 03	24.00		
Apr 07,03	Dues	Dues Ted Shiff 02	8.00		
Apr 30,03	Int	Interest	0.83		
		Total Debits & Credits	671.42	673.94	
		Ending Balance	1,137.99		



..Setup: expenses

Jun 17,03

expenses	Beg:Jun 01,02	End:May 31,03	Type: A
meeting	0.00		
numismatic groups	25.00		
postage	29.00		
miscellaneous contributions	25.00		
Service Charge	5.00		
WPNS Society	106.94		
total expenses	190.94		

checking interest

Ledger: INT.CHECK

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Name	INT.CHECK	Reconcile R	
Description	checking interest	Date	000 00,00
Normal Bal	C	Balance	0.00

Date	Ref#	Description	Debit	Credit
		Opening balance at Jun 01,02		16.42
Jun 28,02	Int	Interest		0.94
Jul 31,02	Int	Interest		0.95
Aug 30,02	Int	Interest		0.95
Sep 30,02	Int	Interest		0.92
Oct 31,02	Int	Interest		0.96
Nov 29,02	Int	Interest		0.66
Dec 31,02	Int	Interest		0.81
Jan 31,03	Int	Interest		0.81
Feb 28,03	Int	Interest		0.75
Mar 31,03	Int	Interest		0.84
Apr 30,03	Int	Interest		0.83
		Total Debits & Credits	0.00	9.42
		Ending Balance		25.84

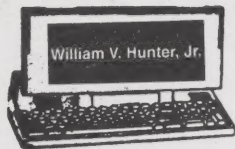


Setup: members

Jun 17,03

members	Beg:Jun 01,02	End:May 31,03	Type: A
Burns, John	24.00		
Chesonis, Corleen	8.00		
Colburn, Harry	0.00		
Coltman, J. Wesley	0.00		
Crosby, Richard	8.00		
Culleiton, Skip	8.00		
Dziubek, Larry	8.00		
Erb, Charles	16.00		
Fort, Tom	0.00		
Gaetano, Richard	8.00		
Garver, Nicholas	2.00		
Greninger, Nevin	16.00		
Homza, Mike	16.00		
Hunter, William	0.00		
Ilson, Aaron	0.00		
Krivoniak, Edward	8.00		
Lowery, William	0.00		
McAvoy, Bruce	8.00		
McBride, Pat	0.00		
Ratnatunga, Kavan	9.00		
Schenk, Ed	8.00		
Schultz, Paul	8.00		
Shiff, Ted	8.00		
Stricker, Al	8.00		
Veeck, Jerry	8.00		
--Out of State Members			
Mooney, Glenn	0.00		
Nelson, John	0.00		
Porter, Jerry	0.00		
Ruggerio, Ralph	0.00		
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members dues <del>due</del> paid	179.00		
-- life members --			
opening Life Fund	0.00		
Bassett, Larry -life member	0.00		
Carlucci, Don	0.00		
Homren, Wayne	0.00		
Kaminsky, Eileen	0.00		
Korchnak, Larry	0.00		

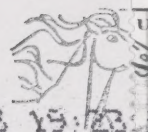
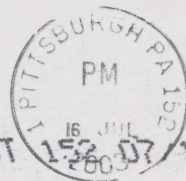




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